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RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SAVE ENERGY CAMPAIGN
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have taken an initiative to join the Save Energy Campaign and tackle Global warming by distributing 26 lakh compact fluorescent lamps to 6.5 lakh quarters across the country;

(b) If so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose; and

(c) the norms adopted for the same ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c) Ministry of Railways have awarded a contract through Competitive Bidding for supply of compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) free of cost to railway employees residing in railway colonies. The cost of CFLs will be recovered by the firm through Carbon Credits to be earned from the project. Railway will also earn 3% of Carbon Credits that accrue from the project. No fund was required to be allocated by Ministry of Railways for this project.

Under this project each Railway household will get up to a maximum of 4 Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs) in exchange for 4 incandescent lamps (ICL). A 60 watt ICL will be replaced by 14 watt CFL and 100 watt ICL by 20 watt CFL.